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Residence

In January, 1953, Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, a close associate of the subject, advised that LANCE JEFFERS resides at 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York, Second Floor.

Communist Sympathies

It will be noted that the records of the Veterans Administration reflect that JEFFERS was employed by "People's Voice" from about May, 1947 to December, 1947.

It will be also noted the records of [redacted] previously mentioned reflect that JEFFERS was a reporter on "Peoples Voice" from June of 1947 to June of 1948.

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Concerning the "Peoples Voice" the following appears in the "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, dated May 14, 1951:

- "1. Among publications which the committee found to be Communist initiated and controlled, or so strongly influenced as to be in the Stalin solar system, (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, p.225.)"

The records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department, reviewed by SA [redacted] indicated that LANCE JEFFERS on May 15, 1947 together with LILLIAN GATES appeared before the Mayor of New York City and the Board of Estimate, New York City, as representatives of the East New York Communist Party to oppose boosts

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in rent by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, owners of Stuyvesant Town and Riverton Houses.

Records of the Board of Elections, Brooklyn, New York were checked on February 3, 1953 by SE [redacted]. These records reflect that in 1949 LANCE [redacted] JEFFERS, 717 Monroe Street, New York registered under the banner of the American Labor Party. In 1950 and 1952 they registered for one of the two major political parties.

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Concerning the "American Labor Party" the following appears in the "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, dated May 14, 1951:

- "1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.'  
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, p. 78.)"
- "2. Among organizations that are victims of Communist domination.'  
(California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, pp. 40 and 41.)"

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, about 1950 advised that LANCE JEFFERS, 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York was in contact with [redacted] a member of the Communist Party in Birmingham, Alabama. The reason for this contact was not known by the informant.

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Confidential Informant T-3, T-4, T-5, T-6, T-7,

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T-8, T-9 and T-10, of known reliability, who have some knowledge of Communist Party activities in the New York area were unable to furnish any information concerning the subject.

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INFORMANTS

Identity of Source	Date of Activity and/or Description of Information	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished	File Number Where Located
T-1 Pretext Inter-view with LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS, 717 Monroe Street	Residence	1/29/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report <sup>b6</sup> <sup>b7C</sup>
T-2 Birmingham Letter, 5/19/50	Subject contacted member of Communist Party	Unknown	Unknown	100-91844-36
T-3 [REDACTED]	Negative	2/2/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report
T-4 [REDACTED]	Negative	2/2/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report
T-5 [REDACTED]	Negative	2/2/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report <sup>b2</sup> <sup>b6</sup> <sup>b7C</sup> <sup>b7D</sup>
T-6 [REDACTED]	Negative	1/30/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report
T-7 [REDACTED]	Negative	1/30/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report
T-8 NY 694-S	Negative	1/30/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report
T-9 [REDACTED]	Negative	1/30/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report
T-10 [REDACTED]	Negative	1/30/53	[REDACTED]	Instant Report



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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated  
February 21, 1951 at New York.

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SAC, New York (100-91844)

April 3, 1953

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LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFES  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re: Special Agent [redacted] dated March 9, 1953, at New York, and your letter of the same date, copies of which were furnished the San Francisco Office.

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From a review of the Bureau's file on the captioned individual, it is felt that the subject should be interviewed prior to closing this case. However, it is noted in relet that the New York Office feels that an interview with the subject [redacted]

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The San Francisco Office should advise the Bureau and the New York Office whether or not it feels an interview with the subject would in any way [redacted]

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In the event the San Francisco Office does not feel that such an interview would be undesirable, the New York Office should interview the subject in accordance with current Bureau instructions relating to interviews with security subjects. Following the interview, the New York Office should resubmit its recommendation as to inclusion in the Security Index.

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The San Francisco Office has been previously furnished with pertinent information in this case. Subject was employed as a copy reader at the USSR Information Bulletin in 1948-1949; contributed to "Main Stream," described

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as a Marxist literary quarterly. He has been in contact with [redacted] a known Communist. The records of Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City P.D., reflect subject was Communist Party member.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-359726)

FROM : *DEB* SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-30902)

DATE: 4/13/53

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SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS  
SM - C

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 05-29-2008 BY UC 60322 LP/STP/SZ

Office of Origin - New York

Rebulet to NY 4/3/53.

You are advised that this office does not feel that an interview with the captioned subject would be undesirable and SF accordingly has no objections to this procedure. NY of course under no circumstances should reveal to subject [REDACTED]

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

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REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>6/8/53</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/27, 28; 5/27, 28/53</b>	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 15px;"></div>
TITLE <b>CHANGED: LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject contacted at his residence at 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York, on 5/27/53. He refused to be interviewed.

**DETAILS:**

The title of this report is being marked "changed" to delete the variations of the subject's true name.

On May 27, 1953 at 8:50 pm, SA's  and  called at the residence of the subject, 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York. The subject resides on the second floor of a two story flat.

Interviewing Agents properly identified themselves to the subject, who then refused to be interviewed.

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TO : Director, FBI (100-359726)  
FROM : SAC, NY (100-91844)  
SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS, wa.  
SM - C

DATE: 6/8/53

Rerep SA [ ] at New York, dated 6/8/53.

In connection with the attempted interview with the subject, as described in referenced report, the following activity transpired:

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The subject resides in the second floor flat at 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York. He was contacted at 8:50 PM by SA's [ ] and [ ] on 5/27/53. The subject answered the downstairs street door and stood on the sill. The Agents properly identified themselves and disclosed that they had a matter to discuss with him. The subject stated: "All right, what is it?"

The subject was advised that the interview could be conducted more confidentially on the inside of the house, rather than on the porch. He stated: "I don't want you guys in my house..now what is it you want?"

He was advised that it was desired to discuss his relationship and activities with organizations declared as subversive by the Attorney General of the United States.

The subject stated: "That's my business, not yours." To afford the subject an unquestionable opportunity to discuss his activities, he was again asked if he wished to discuss his organizational ties in confidence. His answer was an emphatic "No"; the Agents thanked the subject for his courtesies, as extended, and left the residence.

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TO : Director, FBI (100-359726)  
FROM : SAC, New York (100-91844)  
SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS  
SM - C

DATE: 6/8/53

X It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared above-captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS

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MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

TAB FOR DETCOM \_\_\_\_\_ TAB FOR COMSAB \_\_\_\_\_ RACE W SEX MDATE OF BIRTH 11/28/19 PLACE OF BIRTH Fremont, Nebraska

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) \_\_\_\_\_

Free Lance Writer

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List)

NoneRESIDENCE ADDRESS 717 Monroe StreetBrooklyn, New York

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-359726)

DATE: 9-27-54

FROM : SAC, New York (100-91844)

SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS  
SM - CCard U.T.D.  
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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

☒ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

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ALIASES \_\_\_\_\_

NATIVE BORN \_\_\_\_\_ NATURALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ ALIEN \_\_\_\_\_

COMMUNIST \_\_\_\_\_ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY \_\_\_\_\_ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) \_\_\_\_\_

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## KEY FACILITY DATA:

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-359726)

DATE: 11/22/54

FROM : SAC, New York (100-91844)

SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS  
SM - CALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 05-29-2008 BY UC 60322 LP/STP/SZ

Investigation in this office reflects that subject moved from 717 Monroe St., Brooklyn to 292 Orange Road, Montclair, New Jersey on or about 10/8/54. Subject is on the Security Index of this office and Newark is requested to verify subject's residence so that FD 128 may be forwarded.

JEFFERS is described as follows:

DOB	11/28/19
Sex	Male
Race	Negro
Height	5' 11"
Weight	174 lbs.
Build	Medium
Complexion	Light
Characteristics	Wears dark horn rimmed glasses

Occupation

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A photograph of the subject is being enclosed to the Newark Office for Identification purposes.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-359726) DATE: 12/27/54  
FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-40092) *15-1*  
SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPIN <sup>@</sup> JEFFERS  
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RE: New York letter to Bureau, 11/22/54.

The Information Operator of the N. J. Bell Telephone Co., Newark, N. J. advised SA [redacted] on 12/7/54 that the company had a listing in the name L. JEFFERS, 292 Orange Road, Montclair, N. J., telephone number MONTclair, N. J. 3-1064.

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[redacted] of Mails, Montclair, N. J. likewise on 12/10/54 advised SA [redacted] that mail addressed to the subject at the above address had been accepted.

SA [redacted] on 12/10/54 personally observed the following pieces of mail addressed to the subject and which were bearing the following return addresses:

SIDNEY KAPLOW AND COMPANY (insurance)  
563 Broad Street  
Newark, New Jersey

Teachers College, Columbia University  
525 West 120th Street  
NYC

Manufacturers Trust Company  
275 West 125th Street  
NYC

(Envelope appeared to contain subject's statement and canceled checks.)

The N. J. Bureau of Motor Vehicles  
Trenton, N. J.

Newark files contain no information identifiable with LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS. RUC. *me*

REGISTERED MAIL

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CC: 2 New York (100-91844) RM

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-359726)

DATE: 1/7/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-91844)

SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS  
SM - CCard U.T.D.  
1-20-55  
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The captioned individual has been the subject of a security investigation by this office. The Newark Division has verified the permanent presence of the subject in its division as residing and working at the addresses listed below. The Newark Division is being considered the new office of origin.

Residence Address: 292 Orange RoadMontclair, New JerseyBusiness Address: Unknown

Check the following applicable statements:

X

This individual has been the subject of a Communist Index Card.

X

This individual is the subject of a Security Index Card.

(The Bureau is requested to make the appropriate changes in the Security Index at the Seat of Government. The Newark Division should affix the addresses reflected above and the appropriate case file number.)

This subject was tabbed for Detcom.

This subject was tabbed for Comsab.

This subject was carried as a Key Figure or Top Functionary.

Handwriting specimens have been furnished to the Bureau.

A photograph has been furnished to the Bureau.

X

1/4/55 A security flash notice has been placed with the Identification Division.

The following pertinent items are being forwarded to the new office of origin with its copies of this letter:

X

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Report of SA	[REDACTED]	1/4/50, New York.
Report of SA	[REDACTED]	1/26/50, New York
Photostat of report of SA	[REDACTED]	4/6/49, St. Louis
Photostat of report of SA	[REDACTED]	9/6/49, St. Louis
Report of SA	[REDACTED]	2/21/51, New York.
Report of SA	[REDACTED]	3/9/53, New York.
Report of SA	[REDACTED]	6/8/53, New York

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Summary Report to follow.



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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

DECLASSIFIED BY UC 60322 LP/STP/SZ  
ON 05-30-2008

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEWARK**

FILE NO.

G.I.R.-9

REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>1/20/55</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11/18; 12/7, 10/54; 1/6-12/55</b>	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div>
TITLE <b>LANCE FLIPPEN JEFFERS</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>

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## SUMMARY REPORT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject resides at 292 Orange Road, Montclair, NJ, and his employment was unknown as of 9/27/54. Subject and wife arrested on 10/10/48, during a raid on a Henry Wallace Progressive Party Rally, Washington, D.C. JEFFERS employed by "USSR Information Bulletin", 6/24/48-3/49, and "People's Voice", June, 1947, to June, 1948. JEFFERS appeared before Mayor of NY, 5/15/47, as representative of East NY CP. LANCE JEFFERS wrote to "Daily Worker", July, 1949, and wrote article in same, May, 1949. LANCE JEFFERS at office of Washington Book Association, April, 1948, and in contact with same July, 1948. One LANCE JEFFERS born 1919, IWO member, December, 1946. JEFFERS registered preference ALP, 1947 and 1949. JEFFERS in contact with Soviet Embassy First Secretary, July, 1948. Subject's former landlord THEODORE WARD, identified as CP member. Associate of JEFFERS, [redacted] identified as member CP. Subject contacted 5/27/53, at which time he refused to be interviewed. Description set forth. (S) (U)

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DATE OF REVIEW

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## BACKGROUND

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4/13/55*

## DETAILS:

### Birth

Records of the Department of the Army, Demobilized

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF **CROSS**

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"><i>[Signature]</i></div>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <b>DATE</b> <b>12/10/55</b>	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"><b>100-359736-32</b></div>
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Personnel Records Branch, located at St. Louis, Missouri, on LANCE FLIPPIN JEFFERS, Army Serial Number 0-154,2609, reflect that JEFFERS was born November 28, 1919, at Fremont, Nebraska.

Education

On October 29, 1951, [redacted] Teachers College, Columbia University, made available the following information to SA [redacted] as contained in school records.

JEFFERS was admitted to Teachers College in February, 1951, and attended to August, 1951. He previously attended Columbia University, School of General Studies in the spring term of 1946, and from September, 1949, to February, 1951, when he was graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree Cum Laude.

The records also reflected that JEFFERS has attended the following schools:

1932-1936

Galileo High School, San Francisco, California

January, 1938 - May, 1938

Continuation High School, San Francisco, California, (graduated)

August, 1938 - May, 1939

Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa, California

August, 1939 - May, 1940

San Francisco State Teachers College, San Francisco, California

August, 1940 - June, 1941

University of California, Berkeley, California

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#### Marital Status

The records of the Veterans Administration, 35 Ryerson Street, Brooklyn, New York, were reviewed on March 18, 1952, by SA [REDACTED]. These records reflect that JEFFERS married [REDACTED] on February 2, 1943, at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, and divorced her on April 22, 1946, in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. b6 b7C

On May 2, 1946, he married [REDACTED] New York, New York. These records further reflect that [REDACTED] AAF

#### Military Record

Records of the Department of the Army, previously mentioned; reflect the following data concerning JEFFERS:

He enlisted at San Francisco, California, on January 13, 1942, in the grade of private; honorably discharged on November 24, 1942, at Camp Barkeley, Texas, to accept a commission as a Second Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army; commissioned and entered on active duty in above capacity on November 25, 1942; relieved from active duty on January 22, 1946, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in grade of First Lieutenant due to demobilization.

No record of AWOL's or Court Martial proceedings was located in the subject's Army personnel records.

#### Criminal Record

On October 11, 1948, the Washington, D.C., "Times Herald", reported that 24 persons were arrested on October 10, 1948, during a raid on a Henry Wallace Progressive Party

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Rally in Laborers Hall, 500 block of New Jersey Avenue, Washington, D.C. The account indicated that seven were charged with either illegal liquor sales or operating a lottery and that 17 were charged with disorderly conduct and released on bond to appear when summoned. According to the newspaper report, the meeting was sponsored by the United Negro and Allied Veterans of America (UNAVA), and the Veterans for Wallace. Among those charged with disorderly conduct were LANCE JEFFERS and his [REDACTED]

Records of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C., were checked on January 6, 1949, by SE [REDACTED]. They reflect that JEFFERS was arrested on October 10, 1948, for investigation and released. He was given Police Department Number 21582. Records reflect he was born November 28, 1919, at Fremont, Nebraska. [REDACTED]

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It is to be noted that the September, 1948, issue of the publication, "Political Affairs," which identifies itself as "a magazine being devoted to the theory and practices of Marxism-Leninism" contained the "1948 Election Platform of the Communist Party."

The above election platform of the Communist Party, reflects on page 12, in part, as follows:

"The New Progressive Party is an inescapable historic necessity for millions who want a real choice now between peace and war, democracy and fascism, security and poverty.....".

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The UNAVA has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Employment

(U) Investigation reflects the subject's employment was unknown as of September 27, 1954.

(C) On December 3, 1953, T-1, of unknown reliability, but in a position to observe certain activities of the subject, advised that he was a free lance writer.

[redacted] Personnel, City Public School System, Columbia, South Carolina, advised that JEFFERS was employed in the Booker T. Washington School at Columbia in July, 1951, and began his active duties about September 1, 1951.

JEFFERS was an English teacher and left this position on June 7, 1952. [redacted] stated that JEFFERS was not highly rated by his superiors and was not rehired for the school year of 1952 to 1953. JEFFERS was considered to be high strung, temperamental, hot tempered, opinionated and did not get along well with teachers or students.

[redacted] records reflect in a personal history sheet concerning JEFFERS, that JEFFERS was a reporter on "People's Voice" from June, 1947, to June, 1948.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", dated May 14, 1951, prepared and released by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Washington, D.C., states the following concerning "People's Voice":

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"People's Voice"

"1. Among publications which the committee found "to be Communist initiated and controlled, or so strongly influenced as to be in the Stalin solar system." (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, p.225.)"

[redacted] advised that he has never heard anything which would reflect on the loyalty of the subject. He stated that he would have heard if there had been anything unfavorably concerning the subject as he was closely associated with the subject's supervisor and principal.

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The records of the Veterans Administration reflect that JEFFERS received "on the job" training as a newspaperman from about May, 1947, to December, 1947, with "People's Voice".

The records of Columbia University also reflect that JEFFERS was a "free lance writer" from June, 1946, to September, 1949, in New York City.

A report of the Credit Bureau, Washington, D.C., dated November 17, 1948, reflected that JEFFERS had been in the employ of the USSR Information Bulletin, since June 24, 1948.

A check of the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the United States Department of Justice revealed that JEFFERS had not registered under the Act. According to [redacted] who was in charge of the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the Department, JEFFERS would not be required to register unless he exercised some control as opposed to a clerical position at the "USSR Information Bulletin."

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(U) ~~(C)~~ On March 11, 1949, T-2, [redacted] of known reliability, advised that he had learned that LANCE JEFFERS had lost his job with "USSR Information Bulletin" and that his [redacted] was preparing a statement of some kind regarding his discharge. The informant further stated that [redacted] had been employed by the Washington Office of the Civil Rights Congress (CRC) since the first part of 1949.

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The USSR Information Bulletin was a publication of the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D.C., and was distributed twice monthly. On July 15, 1952, the United States Department of State directed the USSR to suspend Soviet Embassy publications in the United States.

The CRC has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Records of the Army, supra, reflected the following occupations of the subject prior to his entrance into the Army:

Porter, Southern Pacific Railroad, June, 1939-January, 1942.

Garage Attendant, Lombard Garage, place not shown, September, 1941-January, 1942.

Laboratory Technician, National Youth Administration, September, 1939-January, 1940, and September, 1940-January, 1941.

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Residence

~~(C)~~ [redacted] T-3, of unknown reliability, but in a position to know of the subject's residence, advised on December 10, 1954, that LANCE F. JEFFERS had received mail addressed to [redacted]

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292 Orange Road, Montclair, New Jersey, and said mail had been accepted.

(U) The Information Operator Of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, Newark, New Jersey, advised SA [ ] on December 7, 1954, that the Company had a listing in the name of L. JEFFERS, 292 Orange Road, Montclair, New Jersey, telephone number MONTclair, New Jersey 3-1064.

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(U) (C) [T-4] of unknown reliability, but in a position to know of the subject's residence, advised on November 18, 1954, that the subject had moved from 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York, to 292 Orange Road, Montclair, New Jersey, on or about October 8, 1954.

(U) (C) [T-5] of unknown reliability, a close associate of the subject, advised in January, 1953, that JEFFERS was residing at 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York.

(U) Records of Columbia University, supra, reflected that in 1949 he was residing at 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York. In 1946, he resided at 45 West 66th Street, New York, New York, and as of July 10, 1946, his address was reflected as 38 Putnam Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

(U) (C) [On April 4, 1949, T-2 advised] that the subject had left Washington, D. C., and had gone to New York, and from there had gone to Chicago. However, the informant was not able to learn whether JEFFERS planned to remain in Chicago or whether he would return to New York.

(U) In this connection, [T-25] of unknown reliability (C) but in a position to know, advised that the subject had changed his address to 1445 Castleton Avenue, Port Richmond, Staten Island, New York.

(U) (C) [T-6] of unknown reliability, but in a position to have knowledge of some of the subject's activities, advised

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in November, 1949, that [redacted] was residing at 1445 Castleton Avenue, Port Richmond. According to the informant [redacted] had stated that the subject and his wife had resided with him for several weeks after their return from Washington, D.C., until they had secured an apartment in Brooklyn.

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(U) ~~(C)~~ T-7, of unknown reliability, but who was acquainted with the subject, advised on December 9, 1949, that the subject and his wife were residing at 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York. The informant stated that [redacted] had stated the JEFFERS' could be contacted through their landlord THEODORE WARD.

On August 12, 1948, T-8, of known reliability, advised that JEFFERS was residing at 1710 15th Street, Washington, D.C. (S) (U)

Records of the Army, supra as of May, 1942, when the subject entered the Army, his residence was 581 25th Avenue, San Francisco, California.

AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

Evidence of Communist Party Membership

Records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department, reviewed by SA [redacted] indicated that LANCE JEFFERS on May 15, 1947, together with LILLIAN GATES, appeared before the Mayor of New York City, and the Board of Estimate, New York City, as representatives of the East New York Communist Party, to oppose boosts in rent by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, owners of Stuyvesant Town and Riverton Houses.

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~~(C)~~ T-9, of known reliability, advised in May, 1947, that LILLIAN GATES was Assistant Legislative Director, New York State Communist Party.

BSSI records also reflect that LANCE JEFFERS, well known poet and Communist, was on the Emergency Committee on Rent and Housing of Bedford Veterans Association, American Veterans Committee. (date unknown)

The "New York Sun" for January 15, 1947, carried an article to the effect that the American Veterans Committee does not consider its Communist problem nationwide, but that it admitted that the New York area chapter (Metropolitan Area Council) was "red ridden." *W.S. 5-1-56*

The "New York Times" for May 12, 1946, carried an article disclosing that at the Metropolitan Area Council's first convention, [redacted] when accused of being a Communist Party member, refused to affirm or deny the accusation. *N.M.*

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~~(C)~~ T-10, of known reliability, advised on November 4, 1946, that the Steering Committee of the Metropolitan Area Council of the American Veterans Committee, which is composed of all of the chapters located in the New York area, "had been captured by the Communists."

Evidence of Communist Sympathies

The January 19, 1947, issue of the "Daily Worker," page 13, column 5, on an advertisement by the New Century Publishers, which advertisement is headed "Book Director Subscriber to 'Mainstream'", sub-heading, "Winter, 1947, Contents", there appears among the contents "The Dawn Swings In" (story) by LANCE JEFFERS."

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The February 11, 1947, issue of the "Daily Worker," page 8, column 2, under the heading "First 'Mainstream' Off the Press," there appears in the first paragraph of the article, "Something new, strong and handsome has been added to American Culture. It is 'Mainstream', the new literary quarterly that went on sale yesterday at \$.50 a copy."

(U) Confidential Informant T-11, of known reliability, advised on June 15, 1947, that "Mainstream" is a Marxist literary quarterly and, according to the "Daily Worker" dated January 19, 1947, New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, New York 3, New York, are the national distributors for "Mainstream." (S)

The January 2, 1948 issue of the "Daily Worker" announced that a Marxist cultural monthly magazine, "Masses and Mainstream" was to appear in March, 1948, and again contained an article in the February 8, 1948, issue of "The Worker" (an East Coast Communist Sunday newspaper), section 1, page 17, column 4, which stated that it "provides Marxist initiative and leadership on the cultural front; fights for progressive ideas in literature, art, politics, science...."

In the May 24, 1949, issue of the "Daily Worker" there appeared, on page 13, column 4, under the caption "Movies" a "Letter to 'Home of the Brave'", which was an article on the movie by LANCE JEFFERS. JEFFERS stated the following in his letter:

".....First, it tells the American people that the Negro people are cowardly; accepting their alleged inferiority; that they do not want equality.

".....Secondly, 'Home of the Brave' tells the American people that the Negro people are not opposed themselves to their involvement, and therefore have no right to struggle.

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".....Obviously, 'Home of the Brave's' philosophy is part and parcel of the phony 'free enterprise' philosophy....."

"The Worker" is the Sunday Edition of the "Daily Worker" an East Coast Communist newspaper.

Confidential Informant T-12, of known reliability, advised subject on July 25, 1949, wrote to the editor of the "Daily Worker" apologizing for using the word "Manana" in a parody about Civil Rights. (S) (U)

Evidence of Membership in or Sympathy with Communist Fronts

Washington Bookshop Association (WBA)

The Washington Bookshop Association has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On April 16, 1948, T-13, of known reliability, advised that a man who identified himself as LANCE JEFFERS, was at the office of the WBA in Washington, D.C. At that time JEFFERS indicated a desire to contact one, GEORGE MURPHY at the National Wallace for President Committee in New York City. The informant also advised that [redacted]

[redacted] of the Association, spoke with her husband on that date saying that the friend "JEFF", the writer, about whom she had spoke the other day, was in the shop and wanted to come over to see the laundress about a job. [redacted] said that JEFF was a little late as no job was open. (U) (S)

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According to [redacted] an admitted former Communist Party member in Washington, D.C., who was active in the Communist Party and Communist Political Association from 1943 - 1949, during this time holding various positions, including that of [redacted] of CP-DC, [redacted] in 1949, had been a member of the Communist Party in Washington for over fourteen years, and was active in many Communist front organizations. Her husband operates a public laundromat in Washington.

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On July 6, 1948, T-8 advised that JEFFERS inquired of the Washington Bookshop as to where he could buy a copy of the "Daily Worker". (S) (U)

International Workers Order (IWO)

(U) The International Workers Order has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

(S) (U) T-9 advised that one LANCE JEFFERS, born 1919, was a member of Lodge Number 737, of the IWO as of December, 1946.

American Labor Party (ALP)

(U) (S) T-15, of known reliability, advised that from the time of its inception in 1936, there existed within the American Labor Party a struggle for power among three groups. These were the Communist Party, the Socialist Party, and the Social Democrats. By the early 1940's the Communist Party emerged as the controlling force within the American Labor Party in the major industrial areas in New York State. Generally these were the areas around Albany, Buffalo, Jamestown, Rochester, Schenectady, Syracuse, Troy, the Hudson River Valley, Columbia, Dutchess, Nassau and Westchester Counties, and New York City, with the exception of Brooklyn. In 1942, the Communist Party was able to capture the American Labor Party in Brooklyn. [T-15] knew this situation to continue up until at least 1949. The American Labor Party never developed into an organization of any real consequence in the non-industrial areas of New York State. (S) (U)

T-16, of known reliability, in July, 1954, advised that the Communist Party today, as in the past, through its members in key positions in the American Labor Party, constitutes the force that controls it. (S) (U)

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Records of the Board of Elections, Brooklyn, New York, reflect that LANCE JEFFERS and his [redacted] both registered preference for the ALP in 1947.

Board of Election Records, Brooklyn, New York, reviewed on May 4, 1951, by SE [redacted] indicated that LANCE [redacted] JEFFERS, 717 Monroe Street, registered preference for the ALP in 1949. In 1950, they registered preference for one of the two major political parties.

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Election Records checked by SE [redacted] on February 3, 1953, reflected that the subject and his wife, 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York, registered preference for one of the two major political parties in 1952.

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Miscellaneous Communist Activities

(X) T-17, of known reliability, advised in April, 1948, that the subject, residing at 38 Putnam Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, had applied for the position of copyreader with the "USSR Information Bulletin." [T-17] advised that JEFFERS had discussed employment with Attache LEONID P. PAVLOV, former head of the Bulletin and [redacted] N.Y.

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[redacted] According to the informant, PAVLOV gave JEFFERS small reason to believe that he would be hired, but that JEFFERS went ahead to explain that he had a background of newspaper reporting, re-writing and fiction writing. JEFFERS said that conditions in the United States are such that in the American publishing industry, the excuse almost invariably given for hiring him has been that he does not have the "qualifications," thus he said the American publisher or editor need not be vulgar in telling a negro applicant the real reason for not hiring him. JEFFERS added that because the one negro newspaper for which he had worked has a progressive past, the minute negro sector of the American publishing industry discriminates against him because of his political beliefs. (C)

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JEFFERS said it would be a rare opportunity for him as a negro to work for the "Information Bulletin" and learn the skills that are involved. (C)

On May 8, 1948, T-8 advised that JEFFERS asked PAVLOV if anything had been done about the job of copy reader for the "Information Bulletin." JEFFERS explained that he had recently talked with PAVLOV about the job. PAVLOV said he was awaiting a reply from the Soviet Ambassador, ALEXANDER TANYUSHKIN. (S) D.C.

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On June 2, 1948, Informant T-8 advised that JEFFERS was in Washington with a delegation to protest the Mundt-Nixon Bill which was proposed to outlaw the Communist Party. At that time, he asked PAVLOV if any action had been taken on his application for a job with the "Information Bulletin." PAVLOV replied that immediate plans did not call for expansion of the force but that he would like to have JEFFERS' telephone number in case he should need him. JEFFERS furnished the number as New York City Sterling-3-2342. (S) (U)

On June 8, 1948, Informant advised that information coming to his attention indicated that PAVLOV did talk with JEFFERS in New York, on or about this date. (S) (U)

On June 21, 1948, T-8 stated that JEFFERS had decided to take the job with the Bulletin and that it was arranged that he would come to Washington on June 23, 1948, and start work on June 24, 1948. (S) (U)

Informant also advised on July 15, 1948, that JEFFERS was in contact with the Soviet Embassy First Secretary, SERGEI R. STRIGANOV at which time the former thanked STRIGANOV for sending the copy of the magazine "Voks" to JEFFERS. JEFFERS said that he would like to (S) (U)

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discuss at sometime and comment on STRIGANOV's talk at some party concerning the negro question in America. STRIGANOV is the Cultural Attache at the Soviet Embassy. (S) (U)

On October 11, 1948, T-8 stated that [ ] had checked at the First Precinct regarding her arrest and that of LANCE JEFFERS, and was advised that they were not charged with disorderly conduct, but brought in on investigation. The informant advised that [ ] had indicated she had spoken to the Assistant Editor of the "Times Herald" to see where they had obtained their facts regarding the arrests and that they were supposed to check their story and kill it. [ ] had further stated that if the "Times Herald" was wrong there would possibly be grounds for a libel suit. (S) (U)

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On October 23, 1948, T-18, of known reliability, advised that LANCE JEFFERS had discussed the arrest with [ ] who was [ ] of the local Communist Party. T-18 stated that the subject was supposed to have been given advice concerning the arrest by [ ] but had not yet been contacted by [ ]. (S) (U)

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It is to be noted that [redacted] was the [redacted]  
[redacted] of the "Daily Worker" and according to [redacted]  
[redacted] was a National Committeeman of the Communist  
Party.

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~~(C)~~ T-2 advised on March 12, 1949 that on that date  
[redacted] of the  
Civil Rights Congress, had been in contact with the subject  
concerning the subject's discharge from the "USSR Information  
Bulletin." According to the informant, JEFFERS had in general  
expressed a surprised attitude concerning the discharge.

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T-19, of known reliability, advised on March 14, 1949 that [ ] had agreed to see JEFFERS, although [ ] had indicated it was not his desire. JEFFERS, according to the informant, did not want any rumors going against him or against the other country regarding his dismissal from the "USSR Information Bulletin" and wanted [ ] to get the facts accurate from a document he had. (S) (U)

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The informant subsequently advised on March 16, 1949 that JEFFERS had gone to the office of [ ] and gave him the aforementioned document, which the informant did not see. (S) (U)

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[ ] also suggested that JEFFERS talk to a friend of the former in New York, so that the un-named matter would not be left up in the air. (S) (U) b6 b7C

With regard to JEFFERS relations with the Soviet Embassy after his discharge, T-8 advised that on March 18, 1949, that JEFFERS had sent two communications to the Soviet Ambassador, ALEXANDER S. PANYUSHKIN, and had requested to see the Ambassador. The informant stated however, that he learned on May 12, 1949, that JEFFERS had not yet been able to talk with the Ambassador and that the Embassy appeared to be putting JEFFERS off. (S) (U) b6 b7C

The informant stated that JEFFERS indicated at this time that he believed that he had been done an injustice which he desired to be corrected. (S) (U) b6 b7C

#### Associates

T-20, of known reliability, advised in January, 1949, that the name of [ ] appeared on the mailing list of the "USSR Information Bulletin." (S) (U) b6 b7C

It is noted that [ ] residence was to which the subject reflected a change of address in 1949. (S) (U) b6 b7C

T-21, of known reliability, advised that THEODORE WARD, was a Communist Party member, active in recruiting members for the Harlem Area. (S) (U) b6 b7C

It was noted previously, that T-7 advised that the subject could be located through his landlord, THEODORE WARD. (S) (U) b6 b7C

T-1 advised that JEFFERS resided at 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York, with one [ ] and was a friend of his. (S) (U) b6 b7C



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(C) (U) [T-22 and T-23,] both of unknown reliability, but in a position to know, advised that [redacted] was a member of the Newspaper Club of the Communist Party, in 1948.

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(C) (U) [T-9 advised] that on May 28, 1947, LANCE JEFFERS was in contact with LILLIAN GATES, Assistant Legislative Director, New York State Communist Party. The subject at this time was interested in securing a job through LILLIAN's husband JOHN GATES, the Editor of the "Daily Worker". [T-9 stated] that LILLIAN GATES was interested in seeing the subject at this time. (C) (U)

(C) (U) [T-24] of known reliability, in about 1950, advised that LANCE JEFFERS, 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, New York, was in contact with [redacted] a member of the Communist Party in Birmingham, Alabama. The reason for this contact was not known by the informant.

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#### Interview with the Subject

On May 27, 1953, at 8:50 pm, SAs [redacted] and [redacted] called at the residence of the subject, 717 Monroe Street, Brooklyn. Interviewing Agents properly identified themselves to the subject, who then refused to be interviewed.

#### DESCRIPTION

The following description of the subject was received from Veterans Administration records, the Department of the Army, [T-1, T-3,] and from personal observation: (C) (U)

Name  
Sex

LANCE FLEPPEN JEFFERS  
Male

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Race	Negro
Age	35 years
Date of Birth	November 28, 1919
Place of Birth	Fremont, Nebraska
Residence	292 Orange Road, Montclair, New Jersey
Height	5'11"
Weight	175 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Black
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Light
Occupation	Writer (1953)
Marital Status	Married <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>
Employment	Unknown

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T-1 Pretext interview with [redacted]	Employment	12/3/53	SA [redacted]	100-91844-47 b6 b7C
T-2 [redacted] formerly [redacted]	3/11/49 3/12/49 4/4/49	3/11/49 3/12/49 4/4/49		b2
T-3 [redacted] Montclair, N.J. (Post Office)	Residence	12/10/54	SA [redacted]	100-91844-53 b6 b7C
T-4 [redacted]	Change of residence.	11/18/54	SA [redacted]	100-91844-52 b6 b7C b7D
T-5 Pretext interview with LANCE F. JEFFERS, 717 Monroe St., Brooklyn, NY.	Residence	1/29/53	SA [redacted]	100-91844-39
T-6 Pretext tel. call to [redacted]	Residence	November, 1949	SA [redacted]	100-91844-19 b6 b7C

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T-7	Residence	12/9/49	SA [REDACTED]	100-91844-19
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Switchboard  
Operator, NYO,  
to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]	6/2/48	6/2/48		
formerly	6/8/48	6/8/48		
[REDACTED]	6/21/48	6/21/48		
	7/6/48	7/6/48		
	7/15/48	7/15/48		
	8/12/48	8/12/48		
	10/11/48	10/11/48		
	3/18/49	3/18/49		
	5/12/49	5/12/49		

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T-9 Used to document LILLIAN GATES.

One LANCE JEFFERS, Unknown  
IWO member,  
December, 1946.

SA [REDACTED] 100-2936-1A  
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T-10 Used to document American Veterans Committee.

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T-11 Used to document Mainstream.

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T-12 [redacted]	Wrote to editor of the "DW".	7/25/49	SA [redacted] [redacted] and SE [redacted]	[redacted] b2 b6 b7C b7D
T-13 [redacted] [redacted]	4/16/48	4/16/48		b2
T-14 [redacted]	Not utilized.			
T-15 [redacted]	Used to document ALP.			b2 b7D
T-16 [redacted]	Used to document ALP.			
T-17 An anonymous source as set forth as T-1 in report of SA [redacted]				b6 b7C
	2/8/49, WFO.			
T-18 [redacted] formerly [redacted]	10/23/48	10/23/48		b2
T-19 [redacted] formerly [redacted]	3/14/49 3/16/49	3/14/49 3/16/49		

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T-20 Used to document [REDACTED]

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"USSR Infor-  
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T-21 Used to document THEODORE WARD.  
Former [REDACTED]

T-22 Used to document [REDACTED]

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T-23 Used to document [REDACTED]

T-24 Subject in contact Unknown Unknown 100-91844-36  
Birmingham with [REDACTED]  
letter,  
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T-25 Change of residence. 1949 Agent 100-91844-6

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Columbia Heights  
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[REDACTED] is on the Security Index of the New York Office. [REDACTED]

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At New York, New York.

Will await documentation from Washington Field, which was requested by separate letter and upon receipt, send amended informant pages to the Bureau, and the Newark Office.

REFERENCE

FD-128, 1/7/55, at New York.  
Report of SA [REDACTED]  
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LANCE FLIPPEN JEFFERS  
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Rerep of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated January 20, 1955, at New York.

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The last line in paragraph three on page ten of rerep contains the words "red redded." These words do not make sense and apparently are typographical errors. New York is instructed to advise the Bureau as to what the correct words should be.

The information attributed to T-8, T-18 and T-19 as set forth on pages 16, 17 and 18 of rerep, makes it possible to easily identify the investigative technique which was utilized in obtaining this information. The New York Office is instructed to rewrite pages 16, 17 and 18 and to paraphrase the information attributed to T-8, T-18 and T-19 in order to more fully protect the identities of the sources who furnished the information. (C) (U)

2cc SAC, Newark (100-40092)

NOTE ON YELLOW ONLY: Subject is on the Security Index.

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TO : Director, FBI (100-359726)

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FROM : SAC, New York (100-91814)

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ReBulet, 2/3/55 and rep. of SA [redacted] 1/20/55 at NY;

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The NYO is presently awaiting documentation from WFO concerning information attributed to T-8, T-18 and T-19 mentioned in relet. In order to comply with present Bureau instructions, no amended pages will be furnished the Bureau and the Newark Office until proper documentation has been received from WFO to insure that complete and accurate information will be reported on pages 16, 17 and 18 of rerep.

For the Bureau's and Newark's information, the words "red redded" as set out on the last line in paragraph three on page ten should read "red ridden." The NYO has made this change in rerep. and the Bureau and Newark are requested to do so accordingly.

The WFO is requested to expedite the request for documentation made in NYlet, 1/19/55.

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and 17-1-55. Amended pages in preparation,  
will reach Bureau by 4-18-55 msa*

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TO : SAC, NY (100-91844)

DATE: 3/23/55

FROM : [REDACTED] SA

SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPEN JEFFERS  
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Rerep of writer 1/20/55, NY; Bulet to NY 2/3/55;  
NY letter to Bureau 2/17/55, and WFO letter 3/3/55.

Rebulet stated that words "red redder" on page 10, paragraph 3, of rerep, did not make sense and that NYO was to advise what correct words should be. ReNYlet advised that word "redder" should be "ridden" and the Bureau and Newark were requested to change their copies accordingly.

The above error was an oversight on the part of the writer when proofreading rerep and in the future he will proofread each report most carefully to insure that this type of error does not occur.

Rebulet also stated information attributed to Informants T-8, T-18 and T-19 as set forth on pages 16, 17 and 18 of rerep made it possible to easily identify the investigative technique utilized and should be paraphrased in order to more fully protect their identity.

This information was found in WFO reports dated 2/8/49 and 8/2/49 and was set forth in rerep exactly as found in these two reports. No attempt was made to paraphrase this information as the writer felt that the agent writing WFO reports would fully protect his informants with whom the writer was not familiar. The writer did not wish to change the wording of the information as it might change the entire meaning of this information and cause an inaccuracy in the report to appear.

An appropriate lead was sent to WFO so that the full five-point documentation would appear on the informant pages. This lead was also set forth on the Administrative Page to comply with present Bureau instructions.

Receipt of information on 3/3/55 requested previously from WFO made it possible to complete the aforementioned informant pages. Included in this documentation was information that T-14 in rerep was [REDACTED] whose identity need not be covered. In accordance with present Bureau instructions stating that T symbols should not be used unless necessity or common sense dictated, an extra amended page (#12) was sent to comply with these instructions.

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It is the writer's opinion that no error was incurred by him in the preparation of pages 16, 17 and 18 of rerep as it was necessary to set out the information furnished by T-8, T-18 and T-19 as set out by an WFO agent to insure an accurate report, noting the writer could not possibly be familiar with WFO informants T-8, T-18 and T-19 and the type of information they furnished.

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TO : SAC, NY (100-91844)

FROM : [REDACTED] Supervisor #12-11

SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPEN JEFFERS  
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Rebulet to NY, 2/3/55.

Relet requested explanation of the words "red redder" which appear in the last line in paragraph 3, page 10, of the report of SA [REDACTED] 1/20/55, at NY. Rebulet also requested that the information attributed to T-8, T-18 and T-19 set forth on pages 16, 17 and 18 of SA [REDACTED] report be paraphrased to protect more fully the identities of the sources who furnished the information.

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SA [REDACTED] report was approved by the writer who apparently overlooked the misspelling of the word "redder" on page 10, paragraph 3; this word should appear as "ridden."

The information attributed to informants T-8, T-18 and T-19 was set out in this summary report in the same manner as the information had been set out in WFO reports dated 2/8/49 and 8/2/49. In reviewing this report for approval it was apparent that a certain amount of detail had been incorporated from the WFO reports. However, inasmuch as the WFO had already set forth this information in report form in such fashion, it was not deemed expedient to change SA [REDACTED] report after it had been typed. It was also believed that the WFO was in the better position to judge how the information from these informants should be reported than the NYO. Consequently, the information was allowed to stand as set out.

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A review of this report in the light of the Bureau's letter does indicate that there is a certain amount of information which could be deleted from the summary report and in this fashion conceal the identity of the informants more fully.

The writer is fully aware of the importance of accuracy in Bureau reports and desires to state that every effort will be made to be certain that all reports approved by him are correctly typed and that the information is specifically and clearly set forth so that this office may avoid any future criticism by the Bureau.

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TO : Director, FBI (100-359726)

DATE: 4/1/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-91844)

SUBJECT: LANCE FLIPPEN JEFFERS  
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Rebulet to NY, 2/3/55, and report of SA [redacted]  
[redacted] 1/20/55, NY.

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Relet noted that the last line in paragraph three on page ten of rerep contained the words, "red redder" and that these words were apparently typographical errors.

Relet also indicated that the information attributed to T-8, T-18, and T-19 as set forth on pages 16, 17 and 18 of rerep made it possible to easily identify the investigative technique utilized in obtaining the information.

SA [redacted] has advised that the word "redder", mentioned above, should have appeared as the word "ridden", and that the presence of the incorrect word in his report was due to oversight on his part in the proofreading of the report.

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SA [redacted] who approved the report, has also advised that he apparently overlooked the misspelling of the word during his reading of the report.

With regard to the information attributed to T-8, T-18 and T-19 on pages 16, 17 and 18 of rerep, SA [redacted] has advised that this information was set out exactly as found in WFO reports dated 2/8/49 and 8/2/49, and that he did not wish to change the wording since to do so might change the meaning and cause inaccuracies in the report. [redacted] also noted that he felt that the agent writing the WFO reports would fully protect his informants with whom [redacted] was not familiar.

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SA [redacted] has pointed out that inasmuch as the WFO had already set forth the information in report form, it was not deemed expedient to change SA [redacted] report, and also that it was believed the WFO was in the better position to judge how the information from these informants should be reported.

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In the light of the Bureau letter, it is felt that certain portions of the information involved could be deleted from the report and this would have the effect of helping to conceal the identity of the informants. Amended pages 16, 17, and 18 are, therefore, enclosed herewith.

Also enclosed are amended copies of page 12, since the WFO by letter dated 3/3/55 has advised that [redacted] who was previously carried as T-14, need no longer be concealed. Amended pages 22 through 25 are enclosed in order to set forth correct and complete informant identification, which information was not available when rerep was prepared, and in order to reflect that T-14 was not utilized.

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The source under T-13 on page 24 has been changed from [redacted] to [redacted] and the source under T-18 also on page 24 has been changed from [redacted] to [redacted]. These changes were made in accordance with instructions in WFO letter to NY, 3/3/55.

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I have strongly emphasized to SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] the importance of accuracy in the preparing and proofreading of reports as well as the necessity for insuring the protection of confidential sources and techniques of the Bureau. However, it is the recommendation of the New York Office that no further administrative action be taken in view of the fact that the same information had previously been set forth in reports by the WFO, which office was in the better position to decide what to report and how best to conceal the source.

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I am making this a matter of record in the personnel folder of SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] and I intend to follow their work to insure accuracy and good reporting in every detail.

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Enclosed herewith are the original and two copies of the explanations of SAS [redacted] and [redacted]

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION 4-11-55

(1) The report of Special Agent [redacted] [redacted] dated January 20, 1955, at New York, contained a typographical error in that the word "ridden" was spelled "redde[n]." The report also contained information from three informants which was set out in a manner that tended to identify the informants. The Bureau requested that the information be rewritten to better conceal the informants' identities. Special Agent [redacted] advised that he had overlooked the typographical error in the pertinent report and the information attributed to the three informants was set out as it had appeared in two reports of the Washington Field Office dated February 28, 1949, and August 2, 1949. Amended pages were submitted with New York letter dated February 11, 1955, including administrative pages reflecting complete documentation of the information as received from the Washington Field Office.

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(2) The SAC New York recommends no administrative action and had made this matter a matter of record in the personnel files of Special Agent [redacted] and also Special Agent [redacted] who approved the report.

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(3) The Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with the recommendation of the SAC New York, as one error was a nonserious typographical error and the other matter involved only a difference of opinion between the field and the Bureau as to how the information attributed to three informants who were technical surveillances should be set out. Corrected pages handled separately.

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